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BY HAND AND ELECTRONIC MAIL

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station Boston, MA 02110

Re: D.T.E. 06-40, NSTAR Electric Merger

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Enclosed is an original and nine (9) copies of the Initial Brief of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and President and Fellows of Harvard College (Harvard or jointly MIT/Harvard) in the above-captioned docket. In the interests of efficiency, MIT and Harvard agreed to submit a single initial brief on behalf of both parties.

Please date-stamp the enclosed copy of this cover letter and return it to the messenger for our files.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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